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A concise explanation of the relevance of these items is that these references were cited by the Japanese Patent Office in the corresponding Japanese application Serial No. 017587, filed January 26, 2000. A copy of the Japanese Official Action in which they were cited is attached hereto, with what is believed to be the pertinent portion enclosed in a wavy line. An English translation of the enclosed portion is also attached hereto.

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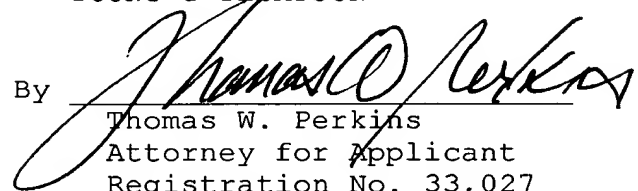
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